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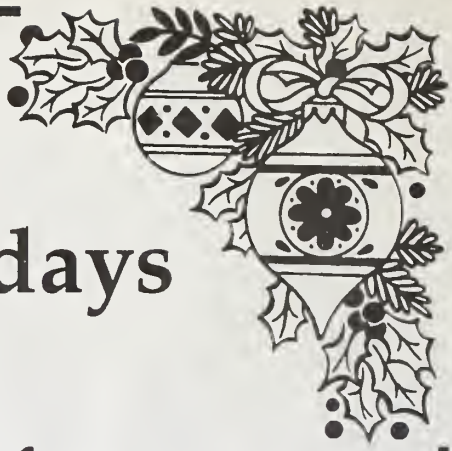

Happy Holidays and a Best Wishes for a Great New Year

For the Staff of
The Wanderer

So that our staff can enjoy the holidays, our office will be closed from December 25th to January 1st. Our next edition is January 7th.

"Christmas in Mattapoisett"

Center School's Glorious Season of Joy

Students from Center School in Mattapoisett entertained a packed auditorium at Old Rochester Regional High School last Friday, December 18 as part of its annual holiday program, "A Season of Joy." This year's show was special, however, in that the school wrapped up its year-long centennial celebration with a look back to previous holiday seasons in Old Mattapoisett.

Grades 1, 2 and 3 joined in with the town's Intergenerational Chorus to sing traditional holiday tunes along with some songs specially tailored for the occasion. Among the highlights were "December in Our Town," "An All-American Christmas," "Innkeeper," "Deck the Halls," and "Up on the Housetop/Jolly Old St. Nicholas."

With pictures loaned by Bette Roberts of the Mattapoisett Museum and Carriage House and slides taken by the late Win Jenney (courtesy of Ruth Souza), the audience was transported back to Mattapoisett in the 1800's for a nostalgic look into the past. Returning to the present, the students entertained with songs and dances of the holidays shared at Center School. Special guest appearances by Ms. Clara Morgan as the one-room schoolhouse teacher and Mr. Robert Gardner as Santa Claus helped to round out the entertaining production.

Center School's "A Season of Joy" was written and created by Ruth Bates with music coordinated by Jean West. Dance coaches included Debbie Dewalt, Jenny Schlitzer, Barbara Tully, and Christine Williamson. Costumes were by Diane Perry, Ruth Bates, and various Center School parents. Scenery was created by Ruth Bates, Diane Perry, Chris Bertram, Denise Mello, Jean Cole, Jay Mello, Kathy Costello, Jolene Marinone, Sheri DeSouza, Christy Alferes, and Laura Lauzon.

Stage crew consisted of Ruth Bates, Kathy Costello, and Diane Perry; the program cover was designed by Angie MacDonald; sound engineer was Robert Williamson; computer programmer was Luz Jackivicz; lighting was by Lightworks Productions; slide projection was by Peter West; modern photographers were contributed by Ruth Bates, Kathy Costello, Michael Labossiere, Denise Mello, Diane Perry, Jenny Schlitzer, and Center School students; and ushers were Anne Asci, Mary Ann Brogan, and Kelly Coucci.

"Royal Treatment"

Cancer Society Treats Local "Honored Guests"

A very special holiday event took place in New Bedford on Tuesday evening, December 8. Eighteen "honored guests" were recruited through local oncology centers and newspaper advertisements to participate in the "Royal Treatment," a night of indulgence for area cancer patients currently undergoing treatment. The cancer patients who were selected by lottery were able to bring a guest, with whom they shared the evening. The purpose of this "Royal Treatment" was to honor patients'

Above: *Both the audience and stage were crowded in the ORR High School Auditorium last Friday during the Center School holiday performance, "A Season of Joy." Here students perform the opening number, "December in Our Town." (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).*

On the cover: *Center School students Stefani Spach (as Mary) and Scott Bissonnette (as Joseph) find there's no room at the inn during a number titled "Innkeeper" which was one of the highlights of last week's production of "A Season of Joy" at Old Rochester Regional High School. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).*

Cover insert: *Attendees at the recent American Cancer Society's "Royal Treatment" event held in New Bedford are (l. to r.) Edward and Dorothy C. Lewis (honored guest) of Mattapoisett, Cathy LaCroix and Carol Simas (honored guest) of New Bedford, and Ann Tremblay (honored guest) and Martha Penler (honored guest), both of New Bedford. The special holiday event was held at the Wamsutta Club as a special night of indulgence for area cancer patients currently undergoing treatment. Patients from throughout the SouthCoast area were selected via lottery to enjoy an evening which included limousine service, dinner, massage, make-over, and complimentary flowers. (Photo courtesy of American Cancer Society).*

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This evening was sponsored in part by the First Citizens' Federal Credit Union. The night included transportation via limousine to the Wamsutta Club in New Bedford, where all honored guests received complimentary flowers, pictures, massages, make-overs, food and beverages. The Pond Street Jazz Quartet added to the ambience by providing live musical entertainment.

Since the Greater New Bedford Unit has been so outstanding in its fund-raising efforts for the American Cancer Society, New Bedford was chosen as the venue for this unique event. This is only the second event of this type done in Massachusetts, the first was in Springfield in 1997. This is just one way your local fund-raising dollars have given back to the community.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

December 22, 1998

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, December 22 at

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7:00 pm by Chairman Albert E. Winters. Also present were Selectman Loretta B. Schaefer, Selectman Jonathan "Jody" Dickerson, and Executive Secretary Ray Pickles.

After signing treasury warrant #26 for the week and approving the minutes of the December 8 meeting, the board approved a request from the Loft School to close off a section of South Street on Saturday, May 8 for their annual fair.

The board then considered the proposed Whelk Regulations suggested by Shellfish Warden Charles Bradley at their last meeting two weeks prior. At the time, they voted to table the issue to allow any residents and/or commercial fishermen to comment within the two-week time frame. The newly-proposed regulations would allow the commercial harvesting of whelk much like the town's other existing shellfish resources (quahogs, scallops, etc.) and would cost $50 for an annual permit. There being no opposition to the proposal, the board

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unanimously approved the regulations as submitted.

Mr. Pickles next noted receipt of an application from the Boathouse Nominee Trust to place an estimated 40,000 square feet lot in Blankenship Cove under a conservation restriction under the auspices of the Sippican Lands Trust, Inc. The request had already been approved by the Conservation Commission (ConCom). Horace "Hod" Kenney said the total area is an estimated 70,000 square feet, but only 40,000 is uplands — the rest is unbuildable. "A permanent conservation restriction (like this) does enhance the value of the property," Mr. Pickles said. With that, the board unanimously approved the conservation restriction as submitted.

Mr. Pickles then informed the board that the low bidder on the contract for repairs at Old Landing Wharf was AGM Marine Contractors, and the plan has been approved by Coastline Engineering, Inc. The board unanimously voted to enter a contractual agreement with AGM Marine and moved that Chairman Winters sign the contract on behalf of the town. Mr. Pickles said the contractor hopes to begin work within two weeks of the contract approval, depending on the weather, and it is anticipated that the boat ramp repairs at the site should be completed by April 15.

On a similar note, Mr. Pickles advised that the recent discussion at Town Meeting over restricting the use of Old Landing Wharf to residents might be valid. "It looks like we might be able to do that," he said. "It's never been designated as a public landing ... so we could restrict

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Under incoming correspondence for the week, the board received a request from nine-year-old resident Jeffrey Rezendes to consider a skateboard park near the basketball courts at Sippican School or at Silvershell Beach. Selectman Schaefer noted they had visited this issue once before, but never followed through. "I know

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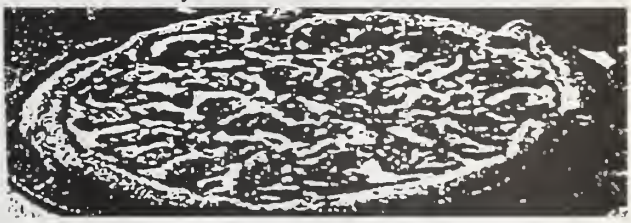

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we had some concerns," she said. "For one thing, there are certain liability issues to consider ... and the cost factor. It might be something for the Recreation Committee to pursue."

Mr. Pickles said he would draft a response to Mr. Rezendes advising that the board have forwarded this matter to both the Recreation Committee and Finance Committee for input.

Dolph J. Vanderpol next submitted a Notice of Intent to Sell a Joint Life Estate on behalf of the Trustees of the Great Hill Trust for 65,261 square feet of property located off Delano Road. The parcel in question, identified as Lot 13 on Land Court Plan 22781, is being offered for sale at a price of $81,682. Since the property was previously under a Chapter 61 agricultural restriction, the town has the first option of purchasing it. The board agreed the town has no interest in the property, and Selectman Schaefer asked that a letter be sent to Mr. Vanderpol in this regard. Once sold, the property would be put back on the tax rolls and all back taxes would have to be paid.

The Division of Marine Fisheries next sent notification that the portion of the Weweantic River known as Middle River will be open to shellfishing from December 15, 1998 to March 31, 1999.

Mr. Pickles noted that things are progressing well with plans to cease taking brush, stumps, logs, stone or mixed fill at the regional transfer station as of January 1, 1999. The Carver/Marion/Wareham Regional Refuse District will also begin requiring special permits for the disposal of refrigerators, freezers, and air conditioners. Permits are available at the Rochester Town Hall or the Marion Department of Public Works. Residents must pick up stickers at their respective towns. There will be a fee of $15 charged for the disposal of refrigerators, freezers, and air conditioners. This fee covers the cost to disposal of such environmentally-hazardous material as governed by the state. Other metal items — i.e. stoves, bicycles, and miscellaneous metals, will still be accepted.

"These fees reflect the cost of disposal," Chairman Winters said. "We're not making any money on (these fees)."

Selectman Schaefer next noted receipt of a letter of resignation from Keeley A. Chretien who is stepping down from the Finance Committee (FinCom). The board unanimously voted to accept the resignation and noted

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that there is now a vacancy on the FinCom. Applicants should submit a letter of interest to the Board of Selectmen, c/o Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738 by January 1, 1999.

The board agreed not to meet next week (Tuesday, December 29) due to the holidays and would hold their next regular meeting on Tuesday, January 5 at 7:00 pm.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 7:25 pm.

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Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

December 21, 1998

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, December 21 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Richard D. Cutler. Also present were Selectman Naida Parker, Selectman Patricia Ryan, Executive Secretary James Huntoon, and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere.

After unanimously approving the minutes of the December 14 meeting and the December 14 Executive Session, Chairman Cutler announced that the board has voted to enter a contractual agreement with James F. Huntoon as the town's new full-time Executive Secretary. Chairman Cutler said there were 16 applicants for the position, which the board narrowed down to four for interview purposes. "When all was said and done, we decided that the best person for the job was the one we already had working for us," he said.

"It's a nice Christmas present," Mr. Huntoon said of the selection. "I enjoy the challenge. I've really enjoyed the past few months. The employees at Town Hall have been gracious and cooperative and I'm committed to the Town of Rochester."

In keeping with the trend of good news, Chairman Cutler also wished to announce the winners of the town's Annual Holiday Door Decorating Contest which the board judged last week. Out of nine entrants, the following three residents were picked: Dorothy Tuttle (First Place); Elizabeth Hathaway (Second Place); and Lynn Dessert (Third Place). Each of the three winners were given their choice of $20 gift certificates donated by Dempsey's, Lloyd's Market, and Towne Pizza. The board thanked all for participating in the tradition. "We also found out how difficult it is to find houses which aren't properly numbered in town," Chairman Cutler added.

Under the Executive Secretary's report, Mr. Huntoon noted that the ORR High School Girls Basketball Team had requested $100 of the money recently allocated to the town from the Rodman Ride for Kids fundraiser. Chairman Cutler said they have a total of four requests

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thus far, and suggested they disburse the money that night. After reviewing submitted requests, the board agreed to divide the $1,500 total equally among the four organizations. Selectman Ryan moved the following allocations: $400 for the Rochester Girls Softball League; $400 for the Rochester Youth Baseball program; $400 for the Rochester Cub Scout Pack 30; and $300 for the Old Rochester Regional High School Girls Basketball Team. The board unanimously approved the motion.

The board next signed and unanimously approved payment in the amount of $2,834.14 to the law firm of Kopelman and Paige for Town Counsel services rendered. They also unanimously approved the following appointments:

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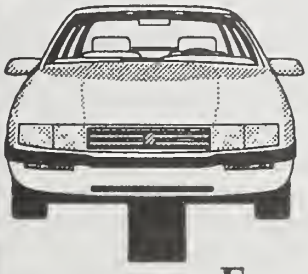

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• Town Hall Feasibility Study Committee - Robert C. Francis.

Chairman Cutler suggested that until they have a chance to meet with former chairman Jack Ayers, they shouldn't appoint any more people to the reformed Public Safety Building Committee.

Under incoming correspondence, the board received a letter of resignation from William Towers who is stepping down from the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), effective immediately. The board voted to accept Mr. Towers' resignation and agreed to send him a letter of appreciation for his past service. Jean Armstrong also submitted a letter expressing interest in serving on the ZBA, noting that she was aware of the recent vacancy. Chairman Cutler noted he had served with Ms. Armstrong on the Board of Appeals and felt she would be a good asset for the ZBA. With that, the board unanimously approved her appointment to the ZBA.

Chairman Cutler also suggested they schedule a meeting with Building Inspector Robert Francis and members of the ZBA on January 4, 1999 to discuss the

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Selectman Parker noted they are seeking residents to serve on the Industrial Development Finance Authority (IDFA), a group which has been inactive of late. With planned improvements to SEMASS in the not-too-distant future — a project which could cost upwards of $30 million — the IDFA would play a key role in funding. "They're looking at different options to fund the project," Chairman Cutler said. "We decided that reinstating the IDFA might be a good idea. We encourage some knowledgeable individuals to come forward."

Residents interested in serving on the IDFA should submit a letter to the Board of Selectmen, c/o Rochester Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way, Rochester, MA 02770.

Under Old Business, the board considered a request from Maurice and Arlene Fuller to release 3.49 acres of property located on Neck Road from a Chapter 61A restriction so that the parcel might be deeded to their children. The board unanimously approved the request.

Selectman Ryan expressed her concern over the fact that there seems to be a lack of communication between town boards. "Maybe we should ask other boards if they would send copies of their minutes (to us) on a regular basis ... and provide copies of our minutes to them," Selectman Ryan suggested. "If we set the example, maybe we can ask other boards to do it."

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The board unanimously voted to request other town boards to provide copies of their meeting minutes to them on a regular basis as a means of improving interdepartmental communication.

Selectman Ryan also suggested they schedule a meeting with Police Chief Walter Denham to discuss staffing issues and the COPS Fast Grant program. A meeting will be scheduled for early in 1999.

After reviewing a draft Common Driveway By-Law, the board voted to forward the information to the Planning Board for consideration and to schedule public hearings on same in early 1999.

The board unanimously voted to allow Town Hall to close at 1:00 pm on Thursday, December 24 in observance of Christmas Eve. They also unanimously voted to cancel their regular meeting slated for Monday, December 28 due to the holidays. Their next regular meeting will be held on Monday, January 4, 1999 at 7:00 pm.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 8:20 pm.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

I want to thank the fellows and girls of (the Mattapoisett) Police Department. I fell on December 2 at midnight, (and) they were at my door in no time at all. They do treat an old person with respect. When I came home from the hospital, I couldn't make it up the stairs; I live on the second

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Sincerely,
Delphina Frasier
Mattapoisett

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Machacam Club - Mattapoisett

The Machacam Club will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, January 6, 1999 at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street in Mattapoisett. Social hour will begin at 5:30 pm with dinner service at 6:00 pm.

The speaker this month will be Jordan Collyer of the University of New Haven, West Haven, CT. Jordan's topic promises to be one of the highlights of the year.

Callers are reminded to report their lists no later than 9:00 pm on January 4, 1999. Last-minute changes and reservations may be made by calling Mike Lamoureux at 758-9311.

Rochester Holiday Pickup

The Rochester Highway Department Curbside Recycling Crew will be picking up corrugated cardboard on December 31, 1998 for *all* recycling routes. Please have your empty boxes flattened and at curbside by 7:00 am. Curbside pickup of Christmas trees will be on Monday, January 11, 1999. Please call the Rochester Highway Barn at 763-4336 if you have any questions.

Fin, Fur and Feather Club

The public is invited to a Prone Position Rifle Bullseye Shoot at the Fin, Fur and Feather Club, 35 Crystal Spring Road in Mattapoisett on Sunday, January 3 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Shooters provide their own mats, .22 rimfire rifle in the morning and centerfire rifle in

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ORR Alumni Association

The next meeting of the Old Rochester Regional High School Alumni Association will be on January 13, 1999 at 7:00 pm in the high school library.

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Due to the New Years Holiday on Friday, January 1, the rubbish and recycling pickup schedule for Friday will be delayed one day. Please have your rubbish and recyclables at the curb before 7:00 am. If you have any questions, please call the Mattapoisett Board of Health office at 758-4112. Happy Holidays!

Sippican Seniors

The next regular meeting of the Sippican Seniors will be held at 1:30 pm on Friday, January 8 at the VFW Pavilion in Marion. The seniors will observe Helen LeFort Appreciation Day with a presentation and entertainment by the Woodchoppers of Rochester, followed by refreshments.

The Executive Board will meet at 9:30 am on Monday, January 4 at the Drop-In Center in Marion.

Screening Clinic in Rochester

The Old Rochester Regional School District will be offering a screening clinic on Monday, January 11, 1999 at the Rochester Memorial School. Children ages three and four residing in Marion, Mattapoisett or Rochester are eligible for appointments. The purpose of the screening is to identify young children with potential learning problems.

The screening will look at the child's thinking skills, speech and language development, memory skills, coordination, hearing and vision. If you suspect your child is having difficulty in any of these areas, or simply wonder if his/her development is "on target," call 748-0100 for an appointment. Locations rotate among the three towns as follows: February 22 at Sippican School;

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Services

Christmas Eve services will be held at 5:30 pm (Family Service) and 11:00 pm (Traditional Service).

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January meeting of the Guild will be held on January 5 at 1:00 pm in Reynard Hall, Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Sue Moore and Jessica Taylor from Sisters will present a program called "Skin Care for the Mature Woman." Guests are always welcome.

School Committee Meetings

The following is a schedule of School Committee meetings for January, 1999:

- Wednesday, January 6 at 6:30 pm - Marion School Committee at Sippican School;
- Monday, January 11 at 7:30 pm - Mattapoisett School Committee at Old Hammondtown School;
- Tuesday, January 12 at 7:30 pm - ORR District School Committee at ORR High School;
- Thursday, January 21 at 7:30 pm - Rochester School Committee at Memorial School;
- Monday, January 25 - ORR School Committee and Massachusetts Superintendency Union No. 55 at ORR High School.

Rochester Certifies Tax Rate

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue issued its certification to the Rochester Board of Assessors on December 22 for the fiscal year tax rate of $12.95 per $1,000 of valuation for residential, commercial/industrial, and personal property.

The town completed its triennial revaluation for Fiscal Year 1999. The Department of Revenue certified the new values on December 3, and the Board of Selectmen voted on December 9 to maintain a single, unified tax rate. Tax bills for the first half of FY99 taxes will be mailed on or about December 30, 1998. Taxpayers who wish to pay taxes before that date may do so at the Town Hall during regular business hours. Bills for the second half of the year will be mailed on or about April 1, 1999.

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Second, the amount of the town's budget raised by property taxes increased by a relatively small percentage. In combination, this modest increase in the tax levy and increased valuations contributed to the lower tax rate.

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The Winter Session will have seven programs beginning January 20/22. Register for the afternoon program on Wednesday from 1:00 to 1:45 pm or the morning program on Friday from 10:30 to 11:15 am.

Storytime for Two-Year-Olds

Registration for Storytime for Two-Year-Olds will take place in the Children's Room beginning January 5. The thirty-minute program is for two-year-olds accompanied by an enthusiastic adult and consists of stories, puppets, music and quiet time for sharing books together. Only the child who is registered may attend and he/she must be two years old by the first program of the session.

The four-week program will be held on Thursday mornings from 10:30 to 11:00 am. Program dates are January 21, 28, February 4 and 11.

ORR School District

Holiday Greetings

Senior Shawn Miranda is the winner of this year's holiday card contest sponsored by the ORR High School administration. Members of Becky Zora's Advanced Drawing class designed pen and ink drawings appropriate for a holiday greeting card. Each entry was then displayed in the school lobby where students and staff were encouraged to vote for the card they thought would best represent Old Rochester Regional High School to the community. The administration awarded a $50 prize to the winner in exchange for the use of the student's design. Cards are being printed and distributed to families and friends of the Old Rochester Regional High School.

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Bulldog TV

On December 28 at 7:00 pm, Old Rochester Regional High School's community service program "Bulldog TV" will air on MediaOne. Special features for this show include Kaidi Stroud, Heismann Award finalist; a fall sports roundup; an interview with exchange student Boris Lokhman; guest appearances by local TV personalities; and more. This show is produced by student volunteers at Old Rochester Regional High School with the help of a grant from the Department of Education, Debbie Stinson of MediaOne and other professionals in the community. Please check local papers and MediaOne for additional viewing times.

Food Drive in Mattapoisett

Local branches of Plymouth Savings Bank are again sponsoring their 15th annual "Answer the Need" food drive in the hope of providing nutritional food to area families in need. Food collection barrels are currently in the lobbies of each of the 17 Plymouth Savings Bank branch locations and will remain there until the end of December. Residents are asked to donate non-perishable food items such as canned meats, fruits and vegetables, jars of spaghetti sauce, peanut butter and jelly, boxes of macaroni and cheese, oatmeal, rice, coffee and dry milk. The food collected in Mattapoisett will go to Saint

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Scrooge on the Air

You've seen it on stage (or maybe not) ... you've seen it on TV (probably more than once). Now, hear it live as it is taking place on Christmas Eve! Charles Dickens' immortal classic *A Christmas Carol* will be performed live on WSMU (91.1 FM) on December 24 from 7:00 to 10:00 pm. A special presentation of Radio Gumbo Limbo, the performance will feature James Bobrick, Bonnie Cade, P. J. Carroll, Elizabeth Rapoza, Ed Rooney, Robert St. Andrew, Sarah Bishop Valentine, and others. For more information, please contact Robert Anderson at 999-7037.

Mattapoisett Selectmen's Office

Town Report Contest

If you are a town resident artist, photographer, or like to dabble with paints, the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen invites you to participate in a contest to select a cover for the next Annual Town Report. Entry forms and contest information may be obtained by contacting Melody Pacheco in the Selectmen's office or by stopping by Town Hall. All work and completed entry forms must be received in Town Hall no later than 4:00 pm on Monday, January 18, 1999. Entries will be displayed in Town Hall prior to judging. The winning entry will be

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I have heard that poinsettias are poisonous. How dangerous are they?
When eaten, poinsettias cause irritation to the tounge and other tissues of the mouth and possibly the stomach. Thus they cause discomfort but probably not severe illness.

The staff of the Mattapoisett Animal Hospital wishes you and your family health and happiness in the holiday season and throughout 1999.

Dr. Gould can be reached at the Mattapoisett Animal Hospital (508) 758-6400

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Notice to Carver, Marion, Wareham and Rochester Residents
Rules and Regulations for use of the Marion Transfer Station
Effective January 1, 1999

1. Effective January 1, 1999, the transfer station will no longer accept brush, stumps, logs, stone or mixed fill. These materials can be disposed of at either County Road Recycling or the Rochester Environmental Park.
2. Carver/Marion/Wareham Regional Refuse District special permits will be required for the disposal of refrigerators, freezers, and air conditioners. Permits are available at the Carver Board of Health, Wareham Shellfish and Harbormaster's office, Rochester Town Hall, or the Marion Department of Public Works. Residents must pick up stickers at their respective towns. There will be a fee of $15.00 for the disposal of refrigerators, freezers, and air conditioners. Other metal items — i.e. stoves, bicycles, and miscellaneous metals, will still be accepted.
3. Effective January 1, 1999, we will no longer accept bulky waste and demolition debris from pick-up trucks with loads above the pick-up body, trailers, or one-ton dump trucks.
4. Contractors with demolition or construction debris are restricted to one load per week with pick-up trucks properly loaded. The maximum length of construction debris is 4'.
5. Large demolition projects from contractors may be disposed of at the Rochester Environmental Park or by container services with ABC, BFI or Frades Disposal and County Road Recycling in the Spring.
6. Residential waste and recycling materials from the towns of Rochester, Carver and Wareham may be delivered to the regional transfer station on Route #28, Cranberry Highway, in Rochester.

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announced at the Selectmen's meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 1999.

Annual Town Meeting

The Mattapoisett Selectmen's office will accept articles, petitions, and street acceptances for insertion into the 1999 Annual Town Meeting warrant until Monday, January 18, 1999. If you should have any questions concerning the above, please contact Carol Adams or Melody Pacheco at 758-4100.

First Congregational Church - Marion

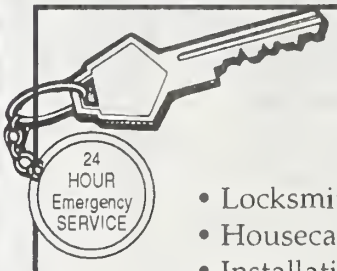
Worship Services

The First Congregational Church of Marion at 28 Main Street invites the community to Sunday morning worship services at 10:00 am. The church is accessible to all with an elevator on the ground level at 28 Main Street. Large-print Bibles and hearing assistance are also available. Fellowship time after worship is in the newly-carpeted vestry in the church.

Millicent Library - Fairhaven

The Millicent Library announces the arrival of a new online database available through the library's internet connection. "SIRS Researcher on the Web" provides instant access to thousands of full-text articles and graphics on social, scientific, health, historic, economic, business, political, and global issues. The database was developed to meet the day-to-day research needs of everyone — from young people to adults. Teens and adults may access the "SIRS" database by signing up to use the library's internet computer.

For library patrons with home computers and a valid library card from their public library, it is also possible to access a new database from home called "SEARCHBANK." All you have to do is go to the



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The Millicent Library has been able to greatly expand the information services it offers with the arrival of internet databases. The staff is always happy to assist with questions.

Acushnet Town Clerk

Town Clerk Richard Threlfall announced the following elected positions will be included at the Annual Town Election to be held on April 5, 1999. Nomination papers will be available at the Town Clerk's office on January 4, 1999:

Town Clerk (one opening, three years, Richard Threlfall incumbent); Board of Selectmen (one opening, three years, Peter W. Koczera incumbent); Board of Assessors (one opening, three years, Eugene L. Dabrowski incumbent); Board of Health (one opening, three years, Robert Medeiros incumbent); School Committee (two openings, three years, Robert M. Lanzoni and Patricia Scott incumbents); Board of Public Works (one opening, two years, Robert St. Jean incumbent); Board of Public Works (one opening, three years, Mathew Goulet incumbent); Commissioner of Trust Funds (one opening, three years, Juliana Perry incumbent); Library Trustee (one opening, three years, Christina Gaudette incumbent); Cemetery Board (one opening, three years, Joanne Cioper incumbent); Park Commissioner (one opening, three years, Raymond Cabral incumbent); Housing Authority (one opening, one year, Lawrence P. Mulvey incumbent); Housing Authority (one opening, three years); Housing Authority (one opening, five years, Mary M. Niemic incumbent); Planning Commission (one opening, five years, Garry Rawcliffe incumbent); Town Moderator (one opening, three years, Robert E. Francis incumbent); Tree Warden (one opening, three years, Robert M. Lanzoni incumbent).

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The cost of each 10 week series is $50.00 prepaid per person ($100.00 per couple).

*Tuesdays January 5th – March 16th

INTERMEDIATE(INCLUDES LATIN AMERICAN) 6:00 – 7:30
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The cost of each Tuesday evening 10 week series is $75.00 prepaid per person ($150.00 per couple).

*Please note – Minus one week during February school vacation.

Call early to reserve the class of your choice. For registration and more information, call Shirley at (508) 291-3801.

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The next board meeting will be held on January 10, 1999 at Madelyn Fogler's, 33 Woodland Road in Rochester beginning at 7:30 pm.

ORR Students of the Month

Mr. Gary Maestas, Principal of Old Rochester Regional Junior High School, recently announced the following Students of the Month for December, 1998:

- GREEN TEAM - Peter Lorenco and Caity O'Brien;
- ORANGE TEAM - Daniel Mattar and Jennifer Workman;
- BLUE TEAM - Nathaniel Butler and Carly Hetzel;
- RED TEAM - Jenna Clemishaw and William Cornish.

Gift for Boating Enthusiasts

A perfect gift for boating enthusiasts this holiday season would be the United States Power Squadron's six-week public boating course! The total cost is under $35 (less if you already have some of the plotting equipment), the instruction is FREE, and the knowledge gained might save someone the cost and embarrassment of a serious mishap! Registration for the next course sponsored by the Mattapoisett Power Squadron will be held at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, January 12 at Old Rochester Regional High School (Route 6 in Mattapoisett near the Mattapoisett/Marion town line). If the school is closed because of snow, registration will be held on Tuesday, January 19 at 7:30 pm. Classes will begin at 7:30 pm at ORR High School on the Tuesday after registration and continue for six weeks.

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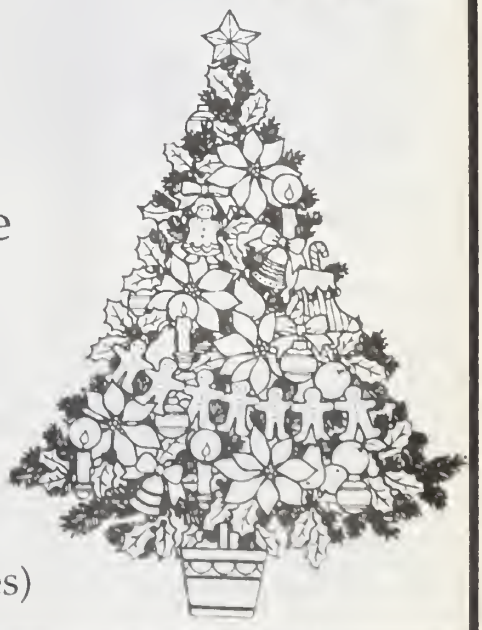
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(754) **East Wareham** Cozy Year Round Waterfront home! 2 bedrooms, 2 rooms in walkout basement. Living room opens to deck over sunset cove! **$95,000, Jocelyn daLuz 758-9322**

(810) **Wareham** This is a one of a kind Wareham property located on a corner lot. 36x30 garage. 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, kitchen, cathedral ceilings are just a few of the amenities. **$265,000. Jocelyn daLuz 758-9322**

(236) **Mattapoisett** Gorgeous Florida Style Home! Has 4 bedrooms , 4 baths, sunken living room, lots of built ins and too many amenities to list! **$549,900. Elaine Gaspar 999-9743**

(595) **Mattapoisett** Truly impressive! Impeccable 3-4 bedroom Sprawling Ranch! Central Air, Vac, 2+ Acres. **$409,900. Glen Rapoza 992-8669**

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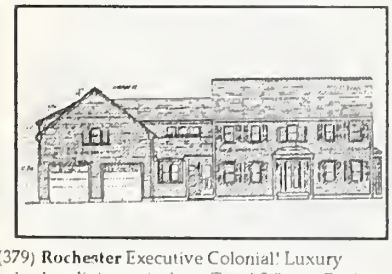
(533) **Wareham** Gracious Home in the heart of the village. 4 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, 3 season porch, 1 car garage. **$169,000. Jocelyn daLuz 758-9322**

(564) **Mattapoisett** This wonderful LeBaron Estates Florida style contemporary is reduced in price. You'll love the open floor plan with the 50ft. sunporch, 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths and a 2nd level office are just some of the amenities. **$350,000. Jocelyn daLuz 758-9322**



(379) **Rochester** Executive Colonial! Luxury suburban living at its best. Treed 2.8 acre Rochester lot. **$329,900. David Arruda 991-5242**

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(193) **Mattapoisett** WATERVIEWS in Mattapoisett! 2-3 bedrooms, 2 fireplaces, hardwood floors, skylights too! Private. **$219,900. Elaine Gaspar 999-9743**

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(559) **Mattapoisett** A Spacious Mattapoisett gem! Spacious 8 room Gambrel with finished walkout lower level. Fireplace. Lovely Grounds! **$199,000. Sharon Doyon 758-2208.**

(171) **Fairhaven** Ranch with in-law setup in country. Full workshop in shed and 3.72 acres. **$209,000 Elaine Gaspar 999-9743**

(555) **Rochester -** Picturesque log cabin. Private wooded lot, immaculate home, country living, modern comfort. **$189,975. Sharon Seifert 999-2390**

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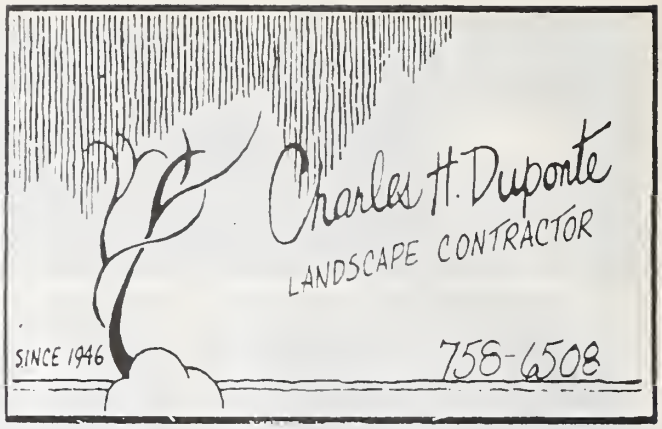

a final exam. A United States Power Squadron Certificate of Completion is awarded to everyone who completes this course and passes the final exam.

The course is open to everyone, with no age restriction and no requirement for boat ownership. The only costs associated with the course are the cost of materials plus $5 to help defray the cost of classroom rental. Price for materials, including sales tax, are as follows: Boating Course Complete Kit, $26.50 (includes student manual, a course plotter, and dividers for those who are starting from scratch); student manual only, $15 (for those who already have plotting equipment); extra set of homework questions, $4 (in case more than one family member is taking the course); practice chart and practice rope, $3. The total cost if you have no equipment at all is $34.50 for materials and classroom rental.

For more information, please contact Ed Lewis (758-3876), Dick Fearing (748-1890), Bob Coburn (947-4462), Ralph Parker (995-9204), or Mary True (763-5241).

Old Colony Regional Voke

Graduation Policy

Last month the School Committee at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School adopted a revised Promotion and Graduation Policy which now includes the development of a student portfolio. The policy developed by the Future Planning Subcommittee and administration recognizes portfolios as a dynamic

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method of alternative assessment. No student will graduate from Old Colony without a complete portfolio demonstrating the competencies attained by the student. The new policy effects the Class of 2002.

Freshman parents will receive information by mail concerning the new portfolio policy. Further information can be received by contacting freshman guidance counselor Robert Sherman at 763-8011, extension 127.

Complimentary Calendars

The Old Colony Chapter of the National Honor Society is offering complimentary magnetic calendars to residents of the district. This marks the fifth consecutive year that the Honor Society has provided the calendars as a community service. The calendars are available at the main office at Old Colony on North Avenue in Rochester.

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WWI Vets Sought for Honor

The Veterans Administration is assisting France in its effort to bestow the National Order of the Legion of Honor — that country's highest honor — to surviving members of the U.S. Armed Forces who fought on French soil during World War I.

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French President Jacques Chirac instituted a campaign to honor the remaining survivors of the allied forces who served in France in conjunction with the commemoration of the 80th anniversary of the World War I armistice on November 11, 1998.

Applications must be sent by veterans or their representatives to: Embassy of France, Project 1918-1998, 4101 Reservoir Road NW, Washington, DC 20007-2151. While VA will assist the French Embassy in verifying and authenticating veterans' records of service, the French government will make the final determinations on the awarding of the Legion of Honor.

Mattapoisett PTA Cards

Mattapoisett PTA Discount Cards are now available and valid through May, 1999. For only $5 you can purchase savings opportunities at a number of local businesses. Cards can also be obtained by joining the PTA with a membership contribution of $20 or more. These cards were made possible by the generosity of the following local businesses where the cards are valid: McDonald's in Fairhaven, Show Video, Mahoney's True Value, YMCA Youth and Family Center, Leeward Restaurant, I Can't Believe It's Yogurt in Fairhaven, Denise's Pet Care Center, Bowlmor Lanes, Friendly's in Fairhaven, Dunkin' Donuts in Mattapoisett, Sea Gas

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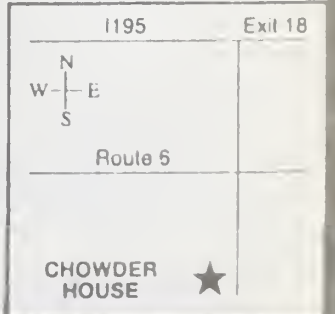

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Plumb Memorial Library

Holiday Shopping

Give someone a little part of Rochester this holiday season and help raise money for Rochester organizations. Items now on sale at the Plumb Memorial Library include prints and t-shirts to benefit the Rochester Land Trust; maps, plates, postcards and ornaments to benefit the Rochester Historical Society; Rochester afghans and cup plates to benefit the Woman's Club; and books including *Blessings of a Legacy* by Vera Underhill (supplement now also available), *Welcome September* by Alice Chase, and *Memorial Munchies* by the Memorial School kids.

Winter Programs for Kids

• Toddler Playgroup - fun for babies and kids through age two, held Tuesday from 10:15 to 11:00 am.

• Time for Twos - a first storytime experience for two-year-olds, held Wednesday from 10:15 to 11:00 am.

• Preschool Storytime - stories and crafts for ages 3 to 6, held Wednesday from 1:00 to 2:00 pm.

Registration is required for all Winter Programs for Kids. Please call the library at 763-8600 or register at the desk during library hours.

Fine-Free Month

December is fine-free month at the Plumb Memorial Library. Check under the bed and look on top of the refrigerator ... we know those overdue books are hiding somewhere! Bring them back in December and pay no money, no questions asked, no more sleepless nights! The brave may return their overdues in person, the meek may return their books in the book drop at the rear of the library.

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- Christmas Day (Friday) - 9:00 am and 11:00 am.

Music will accompany all Masses. Highlighting the 4:00 pm Mass Christmas Eve will be music provided by the Children's Choir. At 11:45 pm parishioners and guests are invited to join the adult choir in singing Christmas carols prior to the start of the Midnight Mass. Come rejoice and celebrate the birth of Christ this

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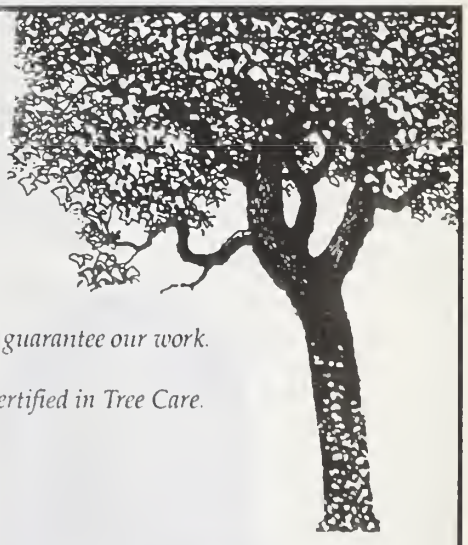

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League Begins 1999 Phone Book

The first job of the Tri-Town Phone Directory ("Blue Book") publishers is to notify all current advertisers that work has started and to ask them to send in their renewal forms as promptly as possible. Any local business that is not included in the yellow pages (advertising section) and wishes to be included can phone or write the publishers at any time. Local residents who have had pleasant experiences with new businesses or services might also wish to give their suggestions. Publishers John and Claire Russell may be reached at 44 Stoney Run Lane, Marion, MA 02738, telephone 748-2542.

All Blue Book advertisers and classified listers are most appreciated by the Tri-Town League of Women Voters and its members. Not only does their support make possible the book itself, but enables the League to continue its community activities such as its Voter Service Information, including candidates' nights, and its support of local education.

In 1996 the LWV began the offering of grants (for which it solicits written proposals) to the staff of ORR Junior and Senior High Schools and the tri-town elementary schools. These grants are to fund special projects, either self-contained or as an addition to an

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Marion Council on Aging

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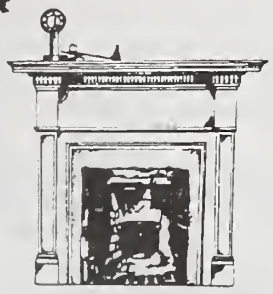

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Friendly Visitor

Would you like a friendly phone call or know someone who would? The Marion COA now has a friendly visitor. Lillian Dauksewicz is available on Tuesday and Thursday for a friendly chat or visit.

Discount Tickets

The Marion COA has a limited number of discount tickets to performances at the Zeiterion Theater for seniors.

Mattapoisett Master Plan Committee

Following their very successful Community Planning Day in October, the Mattapoisett Master Plan Committee has announced a working schedule for Phase II, Plan Preparation.

On February 8 and 22, the committee hopes to re-evaluate the growth implications of these preliminary planning decisions and will begin to examine the fiscal impacts, infrastructure requirements and capital planning possibilities for accommodating the resulting growth patterns. Adjustments may then be considered in the future land use proposals to more realistically fit the

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projected capabilities of the town to support this growth.

On March 8 and 22 and April 5, the focus will shift to the all-important work of adopting implementation strategies which can be supported by the community and which are likely to get the job done. This will include land use and design controls, resource protection strategies, administrative capacity and budget issues, and the need for expanded community partnerships and initiatives. A draft Master Plan will follow by late April.

Meetings are held at 7:00 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall and are open to the public.

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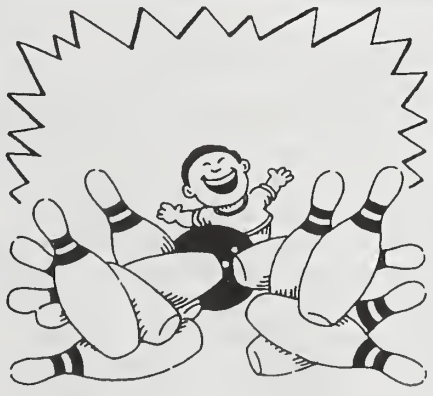

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Friends of the Elderly - Mattapoisett

Real Estate Exemption

At the recommendation of the Friends of the Elderly and with the approval of the Selectmen and Assessors, clause 41C of the Real Estate Exemption for persons over 70 years of age was passed at Town Meeting. Those who have reached 70 by July 1, 1998 are eligible for a tax exemption of $750 if they meet certain guidelines. Gross receipts minus social security allowance must be less than $13,000 (single) or $15,000 (married). Please contact the Mattapoisett Board of Assessors for more information.

Dine-Out Books

As a fundraiser, the Friends of the Elderly are selling the Dinner for Two Dine-Out books which feature many area restaurants where, on Sunday through Friday, you can buy one meal and get one free. This is a good way to save money and enjoy eating out. The book sells for $29.95 (same as at the mall) and you can get it at the Mattapoisett Senior Center. Use it three times and it will pay for itself! The books also make great Christmas gifts and even come gift-wrapped.

Mattapoisett Seniors

Upcoming Trips

The Mattapoisett Touring Club has planned the following trips to which everyone is welcome:

• January 16 through 23, 1999 - Celebrity's "New Galaxy" Deep Southern Caribbean Cruise visiting San Juan, Catalina Island (Dominican Republic), Barbados, Martinique, Antigua, and St. Thomas. Cost is $1,099 per person.

• May 17 through 21, 1999 - Beacon Montreal Tour including Motorcoach to New Hampshire, entertainment and one-night stay at the Beacon Resort and Montreal Chateau Champlain. Tour Montreal, visit Montreal Casino, dinner at Le Festin du Gouverneur, Cruise Le Bateau Mouche. Cost is $425 per person. $100 deposit with balance due April 15, 1999.

• June 19 through 28, 1999 - Canadian Rockies Tour, includes airfare from Logan to Seattle. Motorbus via Collette Washington state to Canada. Visit Glacier, Yoho, and Banff National Parks, Lake Louise, Vancouver, and more. Cost is $1,699 per person.

• October 11 to 20, 1999 - Autumn Rhine Cruise, 10 days and 8 nights with two night precruise stay in Trier, Germany. Delightful six-night cruise, then one light in Luxembourg. Price runs $1,699 to $1,799 for lower/

middle cabins.

• September 6 to 14, 2000 - Now Booking for Oberammergau Passion Play in the German Alps plus Expo 2000 in Hanover, 9 days and 7 nights with first-class reserved seats for play (space limited).

For more information or to make reservations, please call Rosalie or Jim at 758-2887.

Mattapoisett Council on Aging

Office Closed

The Mattapoisett COA office will be closed on Friday, December 25 and January 1. Happy Holidays!

December Movie

The movie for December has been cancelled.

SHINE Counselor

The SHINE Counselor is available on Monday, from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon at the Senior Center. No appointment is necessary.

January Mall Trips

The COA will be traveling to the Vanity Fair Outlet and Ann & Hope on January 7 at 1:00 pm and to the Galleria Mall in Taunton on January 21 at 9:15 am.

Russell Memorial Library

New Homepage

The Russell Memorial Library has gone high tech! They now have their own homepage on the Internet. You can access this page by using the following address — http://www.ultranet.com/~acushlib/. Using this address, you may then connect with the SEAL Network, and reach the SEAL database from your home computer. Please ask the librarians for assistance. They also have included many interesting websites on the homepage which should prove to be beneficial for further web exploration.

Zoo Passes

The Russell Memorial Library in Acushnet now has passes available for the Roger Williams Zoo. These passes are available year-round. Upon presentation of the library pass to the zoo cashier, any combination of four adults and/or children will pay only the discount rate for admission. The rate is $1.75 per child (3 to 12) and senior (62 and up), and $3 per adult.

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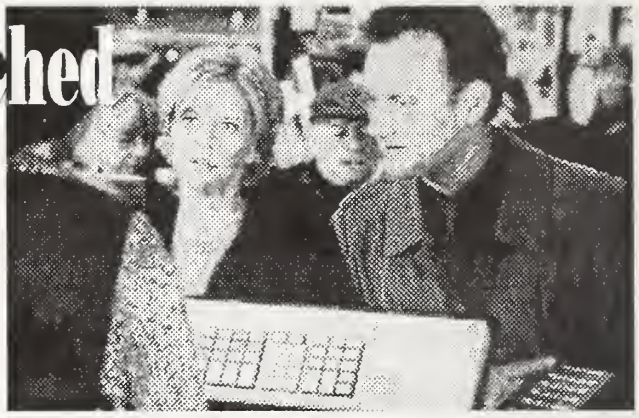

■ ***You've Got Mail.*** **Starring Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan. Directed by Nora Ephron. Running time: 116 minutes. MPAA rating: PG. At Cinema 12 at the North Dartmouth Mall.**

At the risk of sounding impatient, I have to ask: How many more times are we going to have to watch Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan figure out they're in love? Don't they know they're Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan? We got it (even if we didn't want it) the *first* time, in 1993's *Sleepless in Seattle* (which was also directed by Nora Ephron). Hanks and Ryan then moved on to other roles, and yet here they are again in *You've Got Mail*, forced into one contrived situation after another so that they'll remain apart until the epiphany of the final scene, in which they realize that, yes, they *are* in a Tom Hanks-Meg Ryan romantic comedy directed by Nora Ephron.

I didn't much care for *Sleepless in Seattle*, but at least that story had a genuine emotional pull: Hanks, a recent widower sick with love for his dead wife, attracts Ryan, who yearns for that kind of passion in her own life. *You've Got Mail*, by contrast, offers nothing except a plot jerry-rigged to keep Tom and Meg apart — not physically this time, but emotionally. The story has been lifted from the Ernst Lubitsch classic *The Shop Around the Corner*, in which James Stewart and Margaret Sullavan didn't realize that their secret love-letter pen pals were actually each other. Stewart and Sullavan, working together in a Budapest leather shop, had a combative rapport that even in 1940 translated as erotic tension.

Ephron's updating of this material falls flat. Hanks owns a big bookstore chain that threatens to put Ryan's tiny children's-book shop out of business. Why? Perhaps so that Ephron could vent her feelings about big business driving out small business — but in that case, why are we encouraged to sympathize with Hanks' character? It could turn out to be a bad strategy: I could sense people in the audience getting rigid with disapproval — after all, most of us have seen beloved shops wither and die when a big chain opens nearby. The dialogue circles around the issue every which way, and Hanks' culpability in putting people out of work is never resolved. The movie simply bites off more than it can chew.

As for the e-mail update of the story: God knows people in real life form emotional attachments based on electronic correspondence, but the word for such attachment isn't usually "love." Closer to the truth might be "delusion," or at least wishful thinking. At best, it can be a good way to make pen pals. But to fall in love with someone based on e-mail? There's not even a tactile engagement with the person — no letters to save in a special box, no handwriting to examine (does she dot her i's with circles? do his lines slant upward or downward?). Ephron doesn't seem aware that love via e-mail is a depressing subject for a movie — one can imagine what Todd Solondz *(Happiness)* might do with it.

I see that I haven't talked much about the plot, but there really isn't one; as I said, it's just a series of grievances and misunderstandings postponing the inevitable. Without giving anything away, I'll just say that there was a moment when I thought Ephron would surprise us — but she doesn't. Once a talented essayist, Ephron seems to have lost her taste and intelligence when she began writing for Hollywood. She still directs a movie by shoehoming one oldie after another onto the soundtrack, and she still depends far too much on star power to put her unexceptional dialogue across. (Having characters drop names like Foucault and Heidegger is literary dialogue, not literate dialogue.)

And there's literally nothing to say about the performances: Tom does his Tom thing, and Meg does her Meg thing. And nothing in *You've Got Mail* can touch the heartbreaking moment in *The Shop Around the Corner* when Margaret Sullavan calls James Stewart "an insignificant clerk" and he looks stricken. There's a similar scene here when Meg tells Tom off, and he looks stricken too. But all I could think was, She's got a point.

Movie Listings

CINEMA 140

376 Hathaway Road, New Bedford, MA.
Movie Lines: 999-6577, 999-4233 / Office: 999-4240.

Friday (December 25) through Sunday (January 3)

Stepmom* (PG-13) – 12/25: 5:00, 7:15, 7:30, 9:40, 10;00; 12/26-1/3: 12:00, 1:00, 2:30, 3:30, 5:00, 7:15, 7:30, 9:40, 10:00
Elizabeth (R) – 12/25: 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; 12/26-1/3: 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00
Gods & Monsters (NR) – 12/25-1/3: 4:30, 7:00, 9:15
Babe: Pig in the City (G) – 12/25: 4:20; 12/26-1/3: 12:20, 2:20, 4:20
Meet Joe Black (PG-13) – 12/25-1/3: 7:45
Jack Frost (PG) – 12/25: 4:15; 12/26-1/3: 12:00, 2:15, 4:15
Psycho (R) – 12/25-1/3: 7:00, 9:15
The Wizard of Oz (G) – 12/26-1/3: 12:15
I'll Be Home for Christmas (PG) – 12/26-1/3: 12:30, 2:15

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GENERAL CINEMA 12

Route 6 and Faunce Corner Road, North Dartmouth, MA.
Movie Line: 999-3141 / Office: 999-3142

Friday (December 25) through Thursday (December 31)

The Rugrats Movie (G) – 12:30, 2:40, 4:40
The Waterboy (PG-13) – 7:20, 9:20
Star Trek: Insurrection (PG) – 12:40, 2:50, 5:00, 7:10, 9:20
Patch Adams (PG-13) – 12:10, 1:10, 2:30, 4:00, 4:50, 6:30, 7:10, 8:50, 9:30
Mighty Joe Young (PG) – 12:00, 2:20, 5:00, 7:20, 9:40
The Faculty (R) – 12:10, 2:40, 4:50, 7:00, 9:10
Enemy of the State (R) – 1:00, 3:40, 6:20, 8:50
The Prince of Egypt (PG) – 12:20, 12:50, 2:30, 3:10, 4:40, 5:20, 6:50, 7:30, 9:00, 9:40
You've Got Mail (PG) – 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:30
A Bug's Life (PG) – 12:00, 2:10, 4:30, 6:40, 9:00

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• Marion - Sippican Hardware, The Sitting Duck, Debbie Thompson;

• Fairhaven - Bob's Sea and Ski, Fairlane Golden Retrievers, New England Animal Hospital;

• Buzzards Bay - Preppy Puppy.

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• County Road – animal complaint
• Park Street – suspicious motor vehicle
• Barros Drive – suspicious activity
• Wareham Road – larceny/past
• Wareham Road – suspicious activity
• Lady Slipper Lane – animal complaint
• Cross Neck Road – animal complaint
• Wareham Road – animal complaint
• Front Street – suspicious motor vehicle
• Lady Slipper Lane – animal complaint
• Cove Street – motor vehicle complaint
• County Road – animal complaint
• Delano Road – vandalism/past
• Front Street – vandalism/past
• Spring Street – suspicious person
• Joanne Drive – animal complaint
• Creek Road – annoying phone calls
• Wareham Road – larceny/past
• Hastings Road – medical emergency
• Front Street – animal complaint
• Job's Cove Road – animal complaint
• Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident/property damage
• Dexter Road – suspicious activity
• Partridge Place – order of protection
• Route 195 East – family disturbance
• Rocky Knook Lane – juvenile offense
• Delano Road – gunshots reported
• Benson Brook Road – building check.

MATTAPOISETT

The following log excerpts are for the week of December 13 through December 19, 1998:

• North Street – suspicious activity/persons
• County Road – adult arrest (operating under the influence)
• Mendell Road – animal complaint/transport dog
• Cathaway Lane – looking for missing dog
• Tupola Lane – raccoons in back yard
• Mattapoisett Neck Road – looking for missing dog
• County Road – found dog reported
• County Road – disturbance/bartender having problem with customer
• Martin Avenue – found bicycle
• Angelica Avenue – past vandalism/property damage
• North Street – dog hit by motor vehicle
• North Street – adult arrest (vehicle failed to stop)
• County Road – medical assist (party fell, can't find her glasses)
• County Road – debris in roadway
• Cannon Street – vehicle blocking driveway
• Ned's Point Avenue – suspicious activity
• Brandt Island Road – returned property
• Mattakiset Road – disturbance/person digging in road
• County Road – returned license
• Wolf Island Road – mutual aid for Rochester
• Locust Street – suspicious male in yard
• Acushnet Road – motor vehicle accident
• Waterman Street – general disturbance/beer bottles thrown at house
• Locust Street – loud crash reported
• Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident
• Wolf Island Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Tinkham Hill Road – suspicious motor vehicle leaving landfill
• Route 195 East – assault and battery/domestic disturbance
• County Road – erratic operation
• North Street – two loose dogs reported
• Shipyard Lane – officer wanted to view footprints.

ROCHESTER

The following log excerpts are for the week of December 15 through December 21, 1998:

• Cushman Road – animal complaint
• New Bedford Road – loose horses
• Alley Road – animal complaint
• Rounseville Road – suspicious activity
• Ryder Road – civil complaint
• Neck Road – lost dog reported
• North Avenue – accidental death
• Walnut Plain Road – animal complaint
• Snows Pond Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Plumb Corner Mall – suspicious activity
• Wolf Island Road – suspicious motor vehicle
• Rounseville Road – lost boxer (dog)
• Quaker Lane – missing/loose horse
• Gerrish Road – dog attack
• Braley Hill Road – missing dog found
• North Avenue – adult arrest (warrant)
• Wolf Island Road – motor vehicle accident
• Marion Road – annoying phone calls
• Neck Road – officer wanted
• New Bedford Road – suspicious activity
• Mary's Pond Road – juvenile arrest (minor in possession of alcohol)
• High Street – suspicious motor vehicle
• Gerrish Road – animal complaint
• Route 28 – adult arrest (possession of illegal substance)
• North Avenue – suspicious activity.

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The cost for After School Programs is $4 for members and $5 for non-members. Please pre-register at the museum, not the library or Sippican School.

Acushnet Council on Aging

New Year's Day

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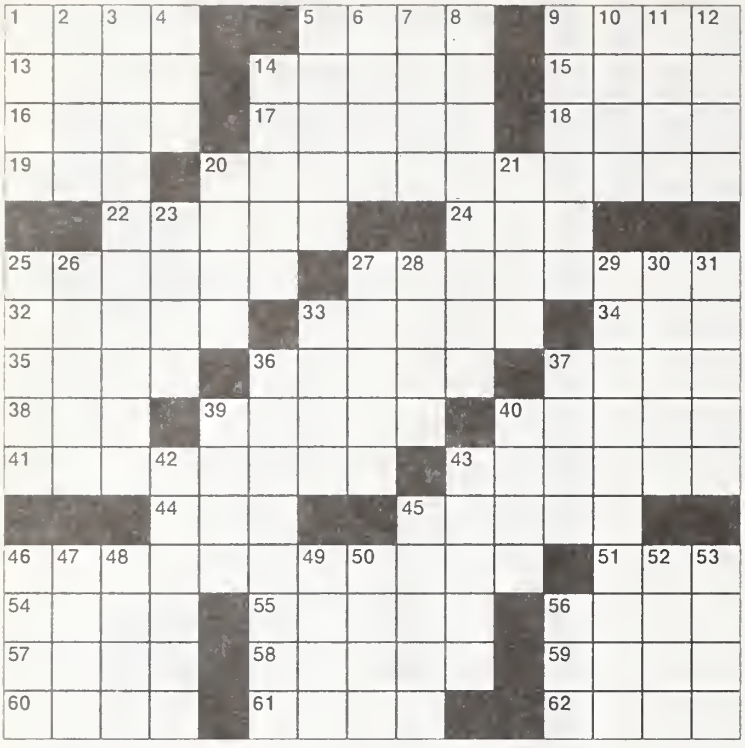

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This Week's Horoscope

by Linda Black

Aries (March 21-April 19). The sun's transit through Capricorn usually brings career opportunities you'll start to see them soon.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). You are very strong right now and getting stronger. You'll be learning and growing and becoming even more marvelous.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). You're more interested in financial matters. Following a strong leader could get you way outside your safety zone. Don't be scared. Looks like you'll be good at it.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). You may feel a little pinched for funds, but you're not in this game all by yourself. You've got others who'd be willing to play with you.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Your workload is going to increase. A partner's help is also crucial. Don't even try to do everything by yourself.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Problems will come up that demand your attention. You'll have to fill out paperwork and meet demanding people's expectations.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). As the sun goes into Capricorn, you'll start focusing more on home and family. That's always important for you this time of year, but now more than ever.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It will look like you're getting smarter. Actually, you're just able to learn more quickly. These are good days for making decisions about home and family.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're interested in everything and that's very important. There's a problem you're facing, and it looks like you've given up on it. Don't.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The sun's going into your sign, which should be invigorating. Use newfound powers to increase your income.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're very strong and that's good, because you're about to face a few more difficulties.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). The sun going into Capricorn brings the team into your picture. The project may be too difficult to do by yourself, so go ahead and let other people help.

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Blood Pressure

There will be no Blood Pressure Clinic on December 30 due to the holidays. No appointments are needed.

ID Pictures

The COA will not take ID pictures until after the holidays; please call 998-0280 to make an appointment.

Senior Center

The Senior Center is open from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm, Monday through Friday for 1999. Please make your calls and inquiries during these hours.

Mattapoisett PTA

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School Superintendent Meetings

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- Tuesday, January 5 - Old Rochester Regional High School;
- Wednesday, January 20 - Memorial School in Rochester;
- Wednesday, January 27 - Old Hammondtown School in Mattapoisett;
- Thursday, February 11 - Sippican School in Marion;
- Wednesday, February 24 - Center School in Mattapoisett;
- Tuesday, March 16 - Old Rochester Regional Junior High School;
- Wednesday, March 31 - Old Hammondtown School in Mattapoisett;
- Thursday, April 26 - Memorial School in Rochester;
- Thursday, May 6 - Sippican School in Marion;
- Monday, May 24 - Center School in Mattapoisett;
- Thursday, June 3 - Old Rochester Regional Junior High School.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Albin Sequeira for a Form C Subdivision prepared by G.E.F. Engineering, Inc.

Property is located off Jasons Lane, Assessors Map 33 Lot 50.

Public Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 1999 at 7:15pm in Rochester Town Hall Conference Room.

Janice m. Crook, Chairman 12/24, 01/07

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
LEGAL NOTICE

Acting under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Ch. 131, s.40 of the Wetlands Protection Act, the Mattapoisett Conservation Comission will hold a Public Hearing on the Notice of Intent filed by Dr. Myron Mazer, 7 Holly Woods Road, Mattapoisett. The proposed work consists of the construction of a 4'x28' extension (landward) to an existing pier, gangway and float, located in Hiller Cove. The hearing will be held on Dec. 28, 1998 at 7:45pm at the Mattapoisett Town Hall, Main Street, Mattapoisett. 12/24

LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Donna Jeffers, 440 Snipatuit Road, who is seeking a special permit under section VIII.C.2 of protective by-laws to allow the construction of an accessory structure in the front yard area. Property is identified on Assessors maps as Plan 38 Lot 25A. Public hearing will be conducted on Thursday, January 14, 1999 at 8:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall.

Charles Wolf, Chairman #703 12/24, 1/7

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
LEGAL NOTICE

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 28, 1998 at 8:15 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on the Request for A Notice of Intent submitted by Spring Meadow Form, Peter B. Belanger and Monika S. Weldon, 109 Marion Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to organically cultivate cranberries on 1.8 acres of cranberry bog, portions of which are to be constructed within the 100-foot buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland. Additional activities occurring in the buffered zone include the constructionof a water supply reservoir, dike roads and associated site grade. The project is located at 109 Marion Road, and is further identified as Lot 23 on Assessors Map 105.

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O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God. Immaculate Virgin assist me in my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me here you are my mother. O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to secure me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. O Mary conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in her hands (3 times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish; it will be granted to you. M.L.

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May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude,worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 8th day your prayer will be answered. Say it for 9 days. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank You, St. Jude. N.L.

THANK YOU GOD
Prey 9 Hail Mary's during 9 days. Ask for 3 wishes: 1 involving business and 2 impossibilities. On the 9th day publish this article and your wishes will be answered even though you may not believe it. Believe it. N.L.

LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
LEGAL NOTICE

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 28, 1998 at 7:15pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by Bob Viera General Contractor, 360 Main Street, Fairhaven, Ma 02719. The proposed project is to build a 2nd story deck. The project is located at 12 Martin Ave., Assessor's Map 761-68, Lot 13A. 12/24

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
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LEGAL NOTICE

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, December 28, 1998 at 8:00 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on the Notice if Intent of Brad Ross, 140 River Street, Braintree, MA 02184. The proposed project involves the repair of a failed sewage disposal system within the FEMA Flood Zone AE, Elivations 14 and 16. A portion of the project is within the 100 Foot Buffer Zone to a Boardering Vegetated Wetland per 310 CMR 10.00. The project is located at Pine Street, Assessor's Map 6, Lots 50, 51 & 53. 12/24

He's Back...

That's right, due to popular demand the "Great Aardvark Search" is back and we have new prizes! For 12 weeks we will be giving away the aardvark's cousin, "Ants the Anteater" an original TY Beanie Baby. After the last week, all entries will be put into a final drawing for "Glory" also a TY original, just in time for Christmas!

For those of you not familiar with this practice, here's how it works. Each week we hide a little aardvark (shown above, actual size) somewhere in the newspaper (not counting the aardvark above). If you find him (or even if you don't) you can send in a postcard with your name and phone number to the address below to enter our Aardvark Drawing! Send entries to: Aardvark, P.O.. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Enter as many times as you like, you can only win once. A list of winners is available at our office, 55 County Road, Mattapoisett. We can not answer questions about the giveaway over the telephone, if you win we will notify you.

Last Week's Aardvark was hidden on Page 15

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Mattapoisett Nursing Home

The Mattapoisett Nursing Home is looking for some very special friends ... volunteers are needed to visit with the residents during the fall and winter months. Visits may be structured activities, one-to-one, or sharing your particular talents. The home welcomes your interest and compassion for elders. Please call Pat Arruda, AD, at 758-2512 if interested.

Paralyzed Veterans of America

The New England Chapter of Paralyzed Veterans of America is a paralyzed veterans service organization which has 650 members who reside in New England. The NEPVA was established in 1946 and about half the members live in Massachusetts. All of the members have sustained catastrophic spinal cord injuries or have spinal cord dysfunction. Advocacy on behalf of paralyzed veterans as well as all veterans is one of the many services NEPVA provides for members.

Other services include: attending advocacy and legislation seminars in Washington on behalf of veterans and issues that affect them, working to ensure the highest quality of health care delivered to veterans with spinal cord dysfunction, monitoring Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care delivery, researching every facet of spinal cord dysfunction, and finding an ultimate cure for spinal cord injuries. If you know of a veteran with multiple sclerosis, you may contact Joseph E. Guay, Government Relations Director at the NEPVA at (508) 660-1181. For further information, please call the local Veterans Agent, Harvey Blanchette, or Paula Butterfield in the Veterans' Office at 758-4114 (Tuesday through Thursday, 8:00 am to 1:00 pm).

Whaling Descendants Wanted

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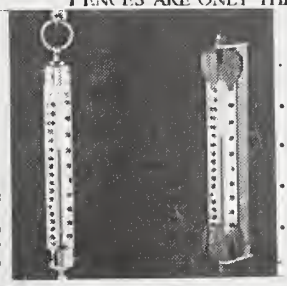

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Fairhaven Council on Aging

Weekly Schedule

• Monday through Friday - The COA offers medical transportation, a reassurance program for seniors living alone, an elderly nutrition program lunch at the Senior Center (call 24 hours in advance to order a meal), and a social day program.

• Monday, Wednesday and Friday - Walking club (please call the senior center for time and meeting place).

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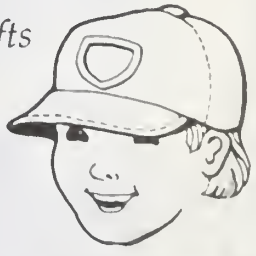

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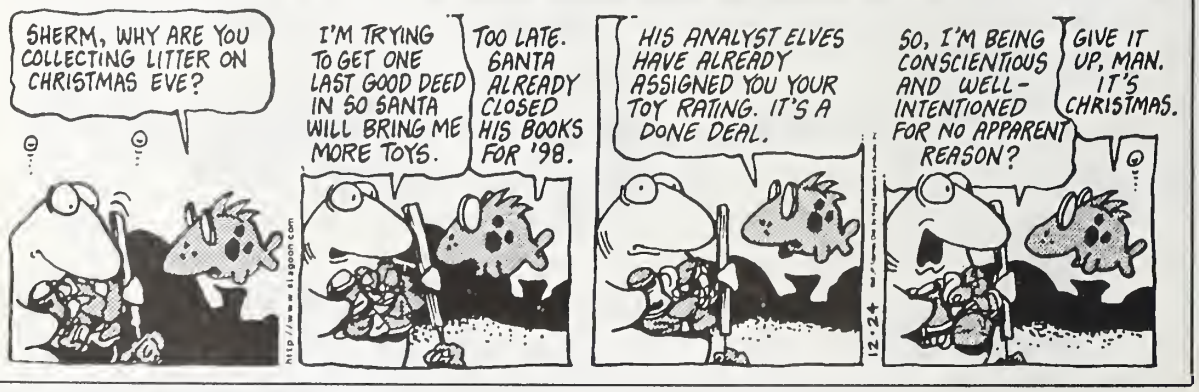

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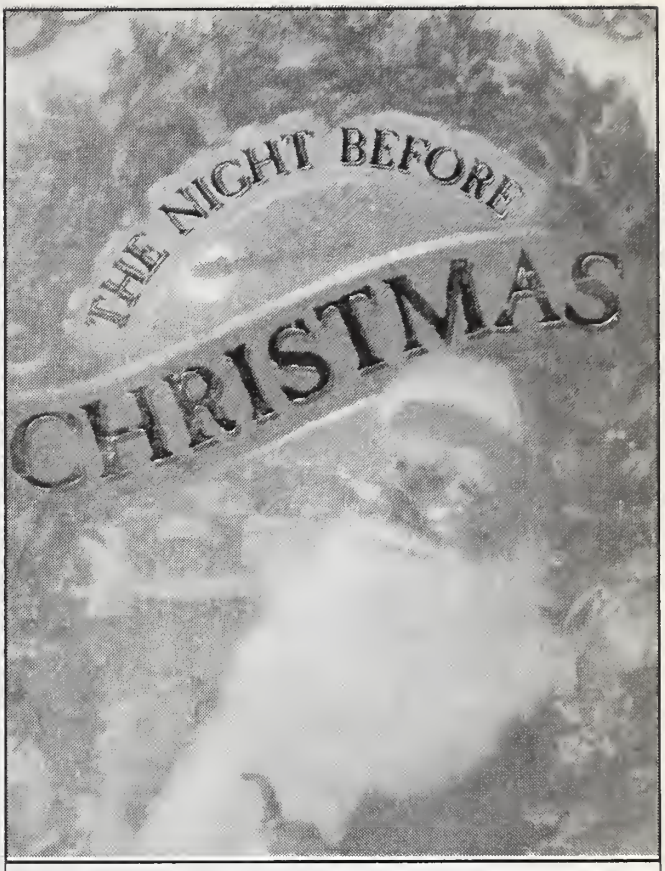

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Mattapoisett Housing Authority

The Mattapoisett Housing Authority is presently accepting elderly, non-elderly, and family applications for their state-aided housing. Net income limits are $25,150 for one person, $28,750 for two persons, and $32,350 for three persons in a household. There are no asset limits. Once determined eligible, the applicant is placed on a waiting list which does not guarantee immediate occupancy.

Information and application packets may be obtained during the following office hours: Tuesday and Thursday from 7:30 am to 2:30 pm. The office is located at 1 Acushnet Road, Box 53, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The telephone number is 758-4664.

Fairhaven Shellfishermen's Association

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the Fairhaven Shellfishermen's Association's monthly meetings. Meetings are held on the last Wednesday of every month at The Fairhaven Varsity Club, 9 Adams Street, in Fairhaven beginning at 7:00 pm.

The Fairhaven Shellfishermen's Association was formed by concerned citizens working together to get a Seed Program established in the Town of Fairhaven to help replenish the waters. The group's agenda includes:

- Replenishing shellfish stock with a clean seed program;
- Improving water quality;
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Fairhaven SHINE Counselor

The Fairhaven Council on Aging SHINE Counselor is Ms. Irene Huggins. The COA's SHINE volunteer will be available on Thursday from 12:30 to 3:30, or by appointment. Please call 979-4029 for further information, or to make an appointment.

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by Mark Parisi

Local Tides

Date	Day	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
December 24:	Thur.	11:39	. . .	4:33	5:07
December 25:	Fri.	12:13	12:35	5:29	6:01
December 26:	Sat.	1:11	1:35	6:33	7:01
December 27:	Sun.	2:12	2:37	7:44	8:06
December 28:	Mon.	3:12	3:38	8:59	9:12
December 29:	Tues.	4:11	4:36	10:12	10:16
December 30:	Wed.	5:06	5:31	11:16	11:16
December 31:	Thur.	6:00	6:24	. . .	12:12
January 1:	Fri.	6:52	7:16	12:11	1:05
January 2:	Sat.	7:42	8:06	1:04	1:53
January 3:	Sun.	8:31	8:55	1:53	2:39
January 4:	Mon.	9:19	9:44	2:40	3:22
January 5:	Tues.	10:07	10:33	3:26	4:04
January 6:	Wed.	10:55	11:23	4:11	4:44
January 7:	Thur.	11:45	. . .	4:56	5:23
January 8:	Fri.	12:15	12:36	5:43	6:05
January 9:	Sat.	1:09	1:30	6:36	6:51
January 10:	Sun.	2:03	2:23	7:38	7:43

Phases of the Moon		
	New Moon	December 18th
	First Quarter	December 26th
	Full Moon	January 1st
	Last Quarter	January 9th

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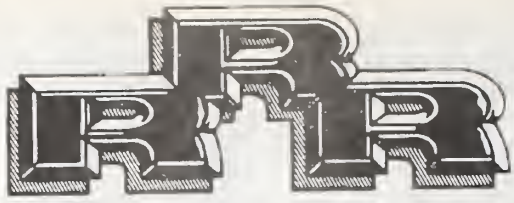

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